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Invention: SYSTEMS AND METHODS OF ALTERING A VERY SMALL SURFACE AREA

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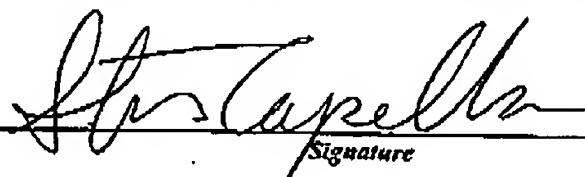
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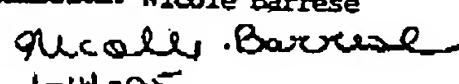
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Serial No. : 10/604,487 :
Filed: July 25, 2003 : IBM Corporation
Title: SYSTEMS AND METHODS OF : Dept. 18G/Bldg, 300-482
ALTERING A VERY SMALL SURFACE : 2070 Route 52
AREA : Hopewell Junction, NY
: 12533-6531

Amendment

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Sir:

The following amendment is submitted in response to the office action
dated October 15, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.